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FOR ATHERTON, NEA, FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR LE US
SUBJ: VISIT OF WALID JUMBLATT

1. GHASSAN TUENI TELLS BOULOS MALIK THAT ONE REASON WALID JUMBLATT CAME TO SEE ME LAST WEEK (BUT FORGOT) WAS TO SAY THAT HE WAS PLANNING TO ATTEND THE DRUZE CONVENTION IN FLINT, MICHIGAN, TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR JULY 2. HE WOULD LIKE TO COME TO WASHINGTON AND BE RECEIVED AT LEAST ON SAME LEVEL CHAMOUN BOYS WERE (ATHERTON AND HABIB). HE ALSO INTENDS TO VISIT MOSCOW AS RESPONSE TO VISIT HERE BY SOVIET DELEGATION ON OCCASION HIS FATHER'S FUNERAL.

2. I THINK IT WOULD BE VERY USEFUL IF YOU AND PHIL HABIB COULD RECEIVE THIS YOUNG MAN AND TALK TO HIM. GIVEN HIS HIERARCHAL POLITICAL SUPERIORITY TO DANY CHAMOUN (HE IS PARTY LEADER WHEREAS DANY IS OF COURSE SUBALTERN), I THINK CALL ON PHIL WOULD BE APPROPRIATE. JUMBLATT'S ROLE IN LEBANON HAS YET TO BE FIRMLY DEFINED, BUT HE HAS POTENTIAL TO BE ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL FIGURES ON THE LOCAL SCENE. COEXISTENCE BETWEEN DRUZE AND MARONITES IS ONE OF THE CORNERSTONES OF LEBANESE POLITICAL EDIFICE. HE HAS SHOWN SERIOUS INTEREST IN DOING SOMETHING TO RESTORE IT. I THINK HE SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO THE EXTENT WE CAN.

3. REQUEST YOU HAVE NEA/ARN CHECK WITH CU TO SEE WHETHER THERE
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WOULD BE ANY POSSIBILITY ARRANGING IV GRANT.
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